

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims:

- 1-56. (Canceled)
57. (New) A method of manufacturing an anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising:
- providing a cylinder base cover;
 - providing a flexible jacket covering of a defined size with respect to the cylinder base cover;
 - stitching the flexible jacket covering to the cylinder base cover, wherein the location of the stitching on the flexible jacket covering and on the cylinder base cover combined with the size of the flexible jacket covering with respect to the cylinder base cover defines a fixed amount of movement of unattached portions of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover; and
 - delivering the stitched anti-marking cover to the end user after the stitching is completed.
58. (New) The method of claim 57 wherein the flexible jacket covering and cylinder base cover are stitched along their edges.
59. (New) The method of claim 57 further comprising adhering the flexible jacket covering to the cylinder base cover prior to delivering the anti-marking cover to the end user.
60. (New) The method of claim 59, wherein the flexible jacket covering and cylinder base cover are stitched and adhered along their edges.
61. (New) The method of claim 60 wherein the edges of the flexible jacket covering are bonded by the adhesive such that fraying thereof is minimized.

62. (New) The method of claim 57 wherein the fixed amount of movement is effective to provide anti-marking support and transfer of processed substrates during printing operations.
63. (New) The method of claim 57 wherein the fixed amount of movement is from about 1/16 to about 4 inches in the weft direction and from about 1/32 to about 1 inch in the warp direction.
64. (New) The method of claim 57 wherein the fixed amount of movement is such that an end play of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover is about equal on a cylinder gripper end and a cylinder tail end of the anti-marking cover.
65. (New) The method of claim 57 wherein the flexible jacket covering is centered circumferentially as well as longitudinally upon installation of the anti-marking cover on the transfer cylinder.
66. (New) The method of claim 57 wherein the fixed amount of movement accounts for tightening of the flexible jacket covering upon installation of the anti-marking cover on the transfer cylinder.
67. (New) The method of claim 57 wherein the fixed amount of movement accounts for a reduction in relative movement in the weft direction between the flexible jacket covering and the cylinder base cover upon installation of the anti-marking cover on the transfer cylinder.
68. (New) The method of claim 64 wherein the flexible jacket covering further comprises alignment stripes running in the warp direction, and the amount of end play is about equal to the distance between the alignment stripes.
69. (New) The method of claim 68 wherein the amount of end play is about $\frac{3}{4}$ inch.

70. (New) The method of claim 57, wherein the cylinder base cover comprises a film.
71. (New) The method of claim 70, wherein the film further comprises a fluoropolymer coating on a polymer layer and the coating faces the flexible jacket covering.
72. (New) A method of manufacturing an anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising:

providing a cylinder base cover;

providing a flexible jacket covering of a defined size with respect to the cylinder base cover;

attaching the jacket covering to the base cover where the location of the attaching on the jacket covering and on the base cover combined with the size of the flexible jacket covering with respect to the base cover defines a fixed amount of movement of unattached portions of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover, wherein the attaching is not releasable attaching; and

delivering the attached anti-marking cover to the end user after the attaching is completed.

73. (New) The method of claim 72 wherein the flexible jacket covering and cylinder base cover are attached along their edges.
74. (New) The method of claim 72 further comprising using two means of attaching substantially along the same attachment points on the jacket covering and the base cover.
75. (New) The method of claim 74, wherein the flexible jacket covering and cylinder base cover are attached along their edges.

76. (New) A method of manufacturing an anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising:

providing a flexible jacket covering and a cylinder base cover; and

fixing an amount of movement of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover by stitching the flexible jacket covering to the cylinder base cover, wherein the fixed amount of movement eliminates the need to properly align the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover during installation of the anti-marking cover on the printing press.

77. (New) A method of manufacturing an anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising:

providing a flexible jacket covering and a cylinder base cover; and

fixing an amount of movement of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover by attaching the flexible jacket covering to the cylinder base cover, wherein the attaching is not releasable attaching and the fixed amount of movement eliminates the need to properly align the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover during installation of the anti-marking cover on the printing press.

78. (New) A method of manufacturing an anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising:

(a) providing a cylinder base cover sized to fit the transfer cylinder;

(b) providing a flexible jacket covering sized about equal to or slightly larger than the cylinder base cover;

(c) attaching a first edge of the flexible jacket covering to a corresponding first edge of the cylinder base cover;

(d) adjusting the amount of movement of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover in a first direction;

(e) attaching a second edge of the flexible jacket covering to a corresponding second edge of the cylinder base cover;

(f) attaching a third edge of the flexible jacket covering to a corresponding third edge of the cylinder base cover;

(g) adjusting the amount of movement of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover in a second direction; and

(h) attaching a fourth edge of the flexible jacket covering to a corresponding fourth edge of the cylinder base cover.

79. (New) The method of claim 78 wherein the edges are attached by stitching, adhesive, or both.

80. (New) The method of claim 78 wherein the first and second edges are opposite one another and wherein the third and fourth edges are opposite one another.

81. (New) A method of manufacturing an anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising:

(a) providing a cylinder base cover sized to fit the transfer cylinder;

(b) providing a flexible jacket covering sized about equal to or slightly larger than the cylinder base cover;

(c) applying adhesive strips to the edges of the cylinder base cover; and

(d) attaching the edges of the flexible jacket covering to the edges of the cylinder base cover via the adhesive strips.

82. (New) The method of claim 81 wherein the adhesive strips are heat set tape and the edges are attached via heating the heat set tape.
83. (New) The method of claim 82 wherein the heat set tape further comprises a layer of pressure sensitive adhesive on one side, and the heat set tape is applied to the edges of the cylinder base cover via the pressure sensitive adhesive.
84. (New) The method of claim 81 wherein step (d) further comprises:
- (i) attaching a first edge of the flexible jacket covering to a corresponding first edge of the cylinder base cover;
 - (ii) adjusting the amount of movement of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover in a first direction;
 - (iii) attaching a second edge of the flexible jacket covering to a corresponding second edge of the cylinder base cover;
 - (iv) attaching a third edge of the flexible jacket covering to a corresponding third edge of the cylinder base cover;
 - (v) adjusting the amount of movement of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover in a second direction; and
 - (vi) attaching a fourth edge of the flexible jacket covering to a corresponding fourth edge of the cylinder base cover.
85. (New) The method of claim 84 wherein the first and second edges are opposite one another and wherein the third and fourth edges are opposite one another.
86. (New) The method of claim 81 further comprising stitching the edges of the flexible jacket covering to the edges of the cylinder base cover.

87. (New) The method of claim 84 further comprising stitching the edges of the flexible jacket covering to the edges of the cylinder base cover.
88. (New) An anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising a flexible jacket covering stitched to a cylinder base cover;
- wherein the cylinder base cover comprises a film;
- wherein the stitching penetrates the film in the cylinder base cover; and
- wherein the stitching locations on the flexible jacket covering and the cylinder base cover fix the amount of movement of the unattached portions of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover.
89. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 88, wherein the flexible jacket covering and cylinder base cover are stitched along their edges.
90. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 88, further comprising the flexible jacket covering adhered to the cylinder base cover.
91. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 90, wherein the flexible jacket covering and cylinder base cover are stitched and adhered along their edges.
92. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 88, wherein the film comprises a polymer layer.
93. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 92, wherein the film further comprises a coating on the polymer layer.
94. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 93, wherein the coating faces the flexible jacket covering and further comprises a fluoropolymer.
95. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 88, wherein the flexible jacket covering comprises a fabric, wherein the fabric further comprises cotton, hemp, wool, silk, linen,

nylon, rayon, polyester, polyacrylate, polyolefin, polyimide, polyamide, or combinations thereof.

96. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 88, wherein the flexible jacket covering further comprises alignment stripes.
97. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 88, wherein the flexible jacket covering further comprises a fabric having alignment stripes formed from conductive strands.
98. (New) An anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising a flexible jacket covering stitched to a cylinder base cover, wherein the stitching locations on the flexible jacket covering and the cylinder base cover fix the amount of movement of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover.
99. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 wherein the flexible jacket covering and cylinder base cover are stitched along their edges.
100. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 further comprising the flexible jacket covering adhered to the cylinder base cover.
101. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 further comprising the flexible jacket covering adhered to the cylinder base cover, wherein the flexible jacket covering and cylinder base cover are stitched and adhered along their edges.
102. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 101 wherein the edges of the flexible jacket covering are bonded by the adhesive such that fraying thereof is minimized.
103. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 wherein the fixed amount of movement is effective to provide anti-marking support and transfer of processed substrates during printing operations.

104. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 wherein the fixed amount of movement is from about 1/16 to about 4 inches in the weft direction and from about 1/32 to about 1 inch in the warp direction.
105. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 wherein the fixed amount of movement is such that an end play of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover is about equal on a cylinder gripper end and a cylinder tail end of the anti-marking cover.
106. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 wherein the flexible jacket covering is centered circumferentially as well as longitudinally upon installation of the anti-marking cover on the transfer cylinder.
107. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 wherein the fixed amount of movement accounts for tightening of the flexible jacket covering upon installation of the anti-marking cover on the transfer cylinder.
108. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 98 wherein the fixed amount of movement accounts for a reduction in relative movement in the weft direction between the flexible jacket covering and the cylinder base cover upon installation of the anti-marking cover on the transfer cylinder.
109. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 105 wherein the flexible jacket covering further comprises alignment stripes running in the warp direction, and the amount of end play is about equal to the distance between the alignment stripes.
110. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 109 wherein the amount of end play is about $\frac{3}{4}$ inch.

111. (New) An anti-marking cover for a transfer cylinder in a rotary printing press, comprising a flexible jacket covering attached to a cylinder base cover, wherein the attachment is not a releasable attachment.
112. (New) The anti-marking cover of claim 111 wherein the attachment locations on the flexible jacket covering and the cylinder base cover fix the amount of movement of the flexible jacket covering relative to the cylinder base cover.